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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

: Pilot ELINT Evaluation Program

- When the ELINT Evaluation Working Group was formed about the first of January, 1968, it appeared that about 15 months might be required to complete the pilot evaluation. Fortunately, nearly all of the basic data required to conduct the evaluation was found without resorting to queries to the field, and key personnel skilled in systems analysis were promptly obtained to assist in the study, so progress has been more rapid than expected. The Working Group has now begun to draft its report, and illustrative evaluations to demonstrate the methodology are under way. I expect the Working Group to have completed its task early this Fall.
- 2. Although the work thus far constitutes only some preliminary first steps, the methodology developed for the ELINT pilot evaluation is rather basic and potentially applicable to many intelligence problems. I believe a presentation at this time to the Intelligence Resources Board would be useful as a specific illustration of an application of systems analysis techniques to the allocation of resources. In particular, the Working Group has had to focus on the difficult problems inherent in the assignment of values to intelligence data, and the procedure which is being followed in this task may be of special interest because of its fundamental relationship to decisions on resource allocation.
- I would be very happy to arrange for the work of this Group to be reviewed for the Intelligence Resources Board whenever you wish.

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Chairman
SIGINT Committee

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